IN THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-16 (Canceled)

- 17. (Original) An anode material for non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery, the anode material consisting of carbon fiber capable of carrying out doping/undoping of lithium, wherein the carbon fiber has notch structure at the cross section thereof.
- 18. (Currently Amended) An anode material for non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery as set forth in claim 17, wherein <u>an</u> angle of <u>a</u> notch formed at the carbon fiber is <u>from</u> 2° or more and is <u>to</u> 150° or less.
- 19. (Currently Amended) A non-aqueous electrolyte secondary battery comprising:

an anode consisting of carbon material capable of carrying out doping/undoping of lithium,

a cathode, and

<u>a</u> non-aqueous electrolytic solution in which electrolyte is dissolved in non-aqueous solvent,

wherein, as carbon material constituting the anode, there is included the carbon material includes carbon fiber having notch structure at the cross section thereof.

Claims 20-24 (Canceled)